

REMARKS

The specification of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, is constituted by the German language text of PCT/EP2004/051188. A suitable Abstract of the Disclosure has been presented. These changes and additions do not constitute any new matter.

Original claims 1-29 and Article 19 claims 1-24 have been cancelled. New claims 30-54 have been added. New claims 30-54 are essentially the same, in scope, as the claims currently pending in the PCT application. They have been rewritten in a form eliminating multiple dependencies.

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, prior to the calculation of the filing fee, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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